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Mr. Randy N. Krekel U.S. Department of Energy PO Box 550, MSIN A5-15 Richland, WA 99352

Dear Mr. Krekel:

Re: Informal Issue Resolution Process for the Interim Soil Cleanup/Remediation for Hanford Policy

At the last 304 Concretion Unit Manager Meeting we agreed to resolve the above issue informally at the Unit Managers level as allowed under the TPA Handbook, TPA-MG-11, Section 5.1. This resolution was contingent upon Ecology submitting this letter to you explaining the steps we have taken in order to address your concerns.

Ecology is currently in the process of considering revisions to the above policy. Our considerations are based primarily on suggestions presented in the April 3, 1992, letter from R. Izatt to N. Pierce concerning the technical details on the use of the Model Toxic Control Act process for determining soil cleanup standards, the use of the 100 times surface water criteria, and other technical comments. Other changes to the policy have been driven by Ecology's development of a state closure policy which follows current EPA guidance concerning the use of health based closure standards. Finally, changes have been made in order to make the policy and accompanying tables more "user friendly". Once changes have been completed on the policy, it will be provided to the Department of Energy for comment. Ecology has also changed language in the draft Hanford Facility Permit regarding closure standards for TSD facilities. These changes will be open for review when the draft permit is reissued for public comment in 1993.

I believe that the above actions will address your concerns, and I am happy that we were able to resolve this issue at the Unit Manager level and attain an agreeable result for all parties.



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If you have any questions regarding the changes to the policy or the permit language, please contact me at (206) 459-6725.

Sincerely,

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